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FM AMEMBASSY KINGSTON

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SUBJECT: BOMB THREATS CONVEYED TO AIR JAMAICA AND CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSION IN JAMAICA

1. ON FEBRUARY 19, TWO BOMB THREAT TELEPHONE CALLS WERE RECEIVED AT NORMAN MANLEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN KINGSTON. FIRST CALL, AT 1600 HOURS, WAS RECEIVED BY AIR JAMAICA OFFICE AND WAS MADE BY AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE, WHO STATED, "THERE IS A BOMB ON BOARD FLIGHT 001 TO LONDON". THE CALLER THEN HUNG UP. A SECOND TELEPHONE CALL, ALSO MADE BY AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE, WAS RECEIVED A FEW MOMENTS LATER (EXACT TIME COULD NOT BE ASCERTAINED) AT THE AIRPORT SECURITY OFFICE. THIS TIME THE PERSON ADVISED, "THERE IS A BOMB IN THE AIRCRAFT LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT," AND AGAIN PROMPTLY HUNG UP. THE AIRCRAFT HAD NOT YET BEEN BOARDED, ALL LUGGAGE AND THE PLANE WERE SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

2. ON FEBRUARY 21, AT 1910 HOURS A TELEPHONE CALL WAS RECEIVED BY THE "AIR JAMAICA OVERSEAS OFFICE IN NEW YORK" FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO STATED, "THERE IS A BOMB IN THE LUGGAGE OF MR. -UNINTELLIGIBLE- ABOARD AIR JAMAICA 011 TO NEW YORK." THE PERSON

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RECEIVING THE CALL WAS UNABLE TO DETERMINE THE NAME WHICH WAS CONVEYED IN THE MESSAGE AND STATED TO THE CALLER, "CAN YOU REPEAT THE NAME," TO WHICH THE CALLER RESPONDED, "THAT DOESN'T MATTER." HE THEN HUNG UP. THE SECURITY OFFICE AT THE AIRPORT IN KINGSTON WAS NOTIFIED AT 1945 HOURS. NORMAL DEPARTURE TIME FOR FLIGHT 011 IS 1530 HOURS BUT IT HAD BEEN DELAYED

UNTIL 1930 - FOR REASONS APPARENTLY NOT CONNECTED  
WITH THREAT. NO PASSENGERS WERE ON BOARD, ALL LUGGAGE  
AND AIRCRAFT WERE SEARCHED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS  
AIRCRAFT DEPARTED KINGSTON AT 0030 HOURS, FEBRUARY 22.

3. IN AN APPARENTLY UNRELATED INCIDENT, A BOMB  
THREAT WAS TELEPHONED TO THE CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSION,  
IMMIGRATION SECTION AT 1450 HOURS ON FEBRUARY 10.  
"MUFFLED" MALE VOICE STATED, "THERE IS A BOMB SET  
TO GO OFF AT 12 O'CLOCK". BUILDING WAS EVACUATED,  
POLICE RESPONDED AND SEARCHED PREMISES WITH NEGATIVE  
RESULTS.

4. APPROPRIATE EMBASSY PERSONNEL HAVE "BOMB  
THREAT CHECK LISTS" ON HAND AND HAVE BEEN BRIEFED  
ON ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN EVENT OF SIMILAR THREAT TO  
MISSION.  
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